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For: **SUTURE MATERIAL FOR SURGERY, PROCESSES FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND  
THE USE THEREOF**

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark  
Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) PTO Form-1082;
- (3) 12 page Application consisting of:
  - 8 pages Textual Specification
  - 3 pages of 25 claims
  - 1 page containing the Abstract of the Disclosure
  - 0 sheets drawings;
- (4) Unexecuted Declaration/Power of Attorney;
- (5) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

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### TRANSMITTAL FOR NEW U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
For: **SUTURE MATERIAL FOR SURGERY, PROCESSES FOR ITS  
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Attorney Docket: 24857

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Attached hereto is the application identified above, including:

12 Pages Application Consisting of:  
8 Pages of Textual Specification  
3 Pages of 25 Claims  
1 Abstract of the Disclosure  
0 Sheets of drawings.  
     Executed Inventor's Declaration  
X Unexecuted Inventor's Declaration  
     Assignment and cover sheet  
     Priority Document

The Government filing fee\* is calculated as follows:

Total Claims . . . . .	<u>25</u> - 20 = <u>5</u>	x \$18.00 =	<u>\$90.00</u>
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Base Fee . . . . .			<u>\$740.00</u>
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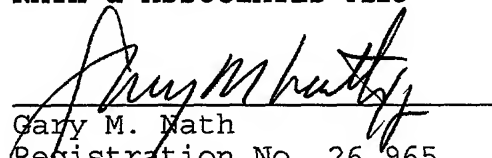
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- ☒ Priority document(s) will be submitted at a later date.
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Respectfully submitted,

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